

Miami Circle in Biscayne National Park: Senate passed S. 762, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the national significance of the Miami Circle site in the State of Florida as well as the suitability and feasibility of its inclusion in the National Park System as part of the Biscayne National Park, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S12652–53**

Senate Employee Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 203, to authorize document production, testimony, and representation of Senate employees, in a matter before the Grand Jury in the Western District of Pennsylvania. **Page S12653**

Federal Motor Carrier Functions: Senate passed H.R. 3036, to provide for interim continuation of administration of motor carrier functions by the Federal Highway Administration, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S12653**

Quality Care for the Uninsured Act: Senate passed H.R. 2990, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals greater access to health insurance through a health care tax deduction, a long-term care deduction, and other health-related tax incentives, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to provide access to and choice in health care through association health plans, to amend the Public Health Service Act to create new pooling opportunities for small employers to obtain greater access to health coverage through HealthMarts, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1344, Senate companion measure, as passed by the Senate on July 15, 1999. Senate insisted on its amendment and requested a conference with the House thereon. **Page S12654**

Campaign Finance Reform: Senate continued consideration of S. 1593, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide bipartisan campaign reform, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S12575–S12620**

Adopted:

McConnell Amendment No. 2293, to require Senators to report credible information of corruption to the Select Committee on Ethics and amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for mandatory minimum bribery penalties for public officials. **Pages S12584–94**

By 77 yeas to 20 nays (Vote No. 327), McCain Amendment No. 2294, to provide disclosure requirements for certain money expenditures of political parties and to promote expedited availability of Federal Election Campaign reports. **Pages S12607–20**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Friday, October 15, 1999.

Department of Defense—Conference Report: By 87 yeas to 11 nays (Vote No. 326), Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2561, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S12565–75, S12610**

VA–HUD Appropriations—Conference Report: Senate began consideration of H.R. 2684, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000. **Pages S12620–25**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the conference report on Friday, October 15, 1999, with a vote to occur thereon at 9:15 a.m. **Page S12654**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Charles L. Kolbe, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board for a term of three years. **Page S12654**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S12647–48**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—327) **Pages S12610, S12620**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:43 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Friday, October 15, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S12654.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FARM RISK MANAGEMENT/CROP INSURANCE

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1666, to provide risk education assistance to agricultural producers, S. 1108, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to improve crop insurance coverage and administration,

and S. 1580, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to assist agricultural producers in managing risk, after receiving testimony from Senator Graham; Bruce L. Gardner, University of Maryland Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, College Park; and Craig Hill, Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, Indianola, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation.

OPERATION ALLIED FORCE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings on the lessons learned from the military operations conducted as part of Operation Allied Force, and associated relief operations, with respect to Kosovo, after receiving testimony from William S. Cohen, Secretary of Defense; and Gen. Henry H. Shelton, USA, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

ALASKA LAND CONSERVATION/ALASKA NATIVE CLAIMS/U.S. TERRITORIES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 1683, to make technical changes to the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, S. 1686, to provide for the conveyances of land interests to Chugach Alaska Corporation to fulfill the intent, purpose, and promise of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and S. 1702, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to allow shareholder common stock to be transferred to adopted Alaska Native children and their descendants, after receiving testimony from Donald J. Barry, Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, and Marilyn Heiman, Special Assistant to the Secretary to Alaska, both of the Department of the Interior; Ronald E. Stewart, Deputy Chief for Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Sheri Buretta, Chugach Alaska Corporation, Jack Hession, Sierra Club, Julie Kitka, Alaska Federation of Natives, Inc., and Peter Van Tuyn, Trustees for Alaska, all of Anchorage, Alaska; William P. Horn, Birch, Horton, Bittner, and Cherot, Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Alaska Professional Hunters Association; and Dune Lankard, Cordova, Alaska, on behalf of the Eyak Preservation Council.

Also, committee concluded hearings on H.R. 2841, to amend the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands to provide for greater fiscal autonomy consistent with other United States jurisdictions, and H.R. 2368, to assist in the resettlement and relocation of the people of Bikini Atoll by amending the terms of the trust fund established during the United States administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, after receiving testimony from Danny Aranza, Director, Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior; Jonathan M. Weisgall,

Washington, D.C., representing the People of Bikini; and Peter N. Hiebert, Winston and Strawn, Washington, D.C., and Margaret Guarino, First Union Securities, Inc., New York, New York, both on behalf of the Government of Virgin Islands.

PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded hearings on S. 610, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management in Washakie County and Big Horn County, Wyoming, to the Westside Irrigation District, Wyoming, S. 1218, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue to the Landusky School District, without consideration, a patent for the surface and mineral estates of certain lots, S. 408, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a former Bureau of Land Management administrative site to the City of Carson City, Nevada, for use as a senior center, S. 1629, to provide for the exchange of certain land in the State of Oregon, S. 1599, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain administrative sites and other land in the Black Hills National Forest and to use funds derived from the sale or exchange to acquire replacement sites and to acquire or construct administrative improvements in connection with Black Hills National Forest, and S. 1343, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain National Forest land to Elko County, Nevada, for continued use as a cemetery, after receiving testimony from Senator Reid; Sandra H. Key, Associate Deputy Chief for Programs and Legislation, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Carson Culp, Assistant Director for Minerals, Realty and Resource Protection, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and King Williams, King, Inc., Canyon City, Oregon, on behalf of the Clearwater Land Exchange of Oregon.

AUTHORIZATION—CLEAN AIR ACT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Clean Air Act, focusing on air and radiation, risk, cost/benefit, and exposure issues, Maximum Achievable Control Technology (MACT) process, acid rain program, and the effect of multiple regulations directed at the same pollutants, receiving testimony from Robert Perciasepe, Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; John D. Graham, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, Massachusetts; Richard L. Revesz, New York University School of Law, New York, New York; Alison Kerester, University of Texas

School of Public Health/Mickey Leland National Urban Air Toxic Research Center, Houston; Michel R. Benoit, Cement Kiln Recycling Coalition, Washington, D.C.; Bernard C. Melewski, Adirondack Council, Albany, New York; and William F. Tyn-dall, Cinergy Corporation, Cincinnati, Ohio, on behalf of the Edison Electric Institute.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

PAKISTAN POLITICAL CRISIS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings on issues related to the political crisis in Pakistan and how the United States can promote its restoration of democracy, receiving testimony from Karl F. Inderfurth, Assistant Secretary of State for South Asian Affairs.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

DIABETES RESEARCH

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded hearings to examine the impact of diabetes on society and government investment in diabetes research, focusing on scientific opportunities available in diabetes research, treatment, prevention, and funding levels for diabetes research, after receiving testimony from Phillip

Gorden, Director, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institute of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; C. Ronald Kahn, Joslin Diabetes Center, Boston, Massachusetts; Edward H. Leiter, The Jackson Laboratory, Bar Harbor, Maine; Jeffrey A. Bluestone, Ben May Institute for Cancer Research, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois; Ryan Dinkgrave, Livonia, Michigan, on behalf of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation International; Pam Fernandes, Needham, Massachusetts; Gordon Jump, Coto de Caza, California; and William H. Fuller, Jr., Virginia Beach, Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Ronald A. Guzman, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, William Joseph Haynes, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee, and Barbara M. Lynn, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas.

Also, committee approved a committee resolution on the issuance of subpoenas pursuant to Rule 26, as amended.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 3072–3088; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 198 and H. Res. 331–332, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2886, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that an adopted alien who is less than 18 years of age may be considered a child under such Act if adopted with or after a sibling who is a child under such Act (H. Rept. 106–383);

H.R. 486, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to preserve low-power television stations that provide community broadcasting, amended (H. Rept. 106–384); and

H.R. 1987, to allow the recovery of attorneys' fees and costs by certain employers and labor organizations who are prevailing parties in proceedings brought against them by the National Labor Relations Board or by the Occupational Safety and

Health Administration, amended (H. Rept. 106–385).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Pease to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Charles Wright of Washington, D.C.

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Veterans Affairs, HUD, and Independent Agencies Appropriations: The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2684, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, by a ye and nay vote of 406 yeas to 18 nays, Roll No. 500.

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H. Res. 328, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report was agreed to by voice vote. Pursuant to the rule, H. Res. 300, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect